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Tour and allowances of junior Deputy Inspectors of Schools.

*1428 Q.—Mr. K. P. V. S. Muhammad Meera Ravuttar: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state whether the junior grade Deputy Inspectors are required to put in 190 days' tour during a calendar year, failing which they are to refund their proportionate fixed travelling allowances?

A.—The answer is in the affirmative.

Inspection of schools by junior Deputy Inspectors of Schools.

*1429 Q.—Mr. K. P. V. S. Muhammad Meera Ravuttar: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state whether the junior grade Deputy Inspectors of Schools in Madura district are compelled to pay visits of improvement to schools which have been assigned to them for annual inspection when they happen to cross such schools on their way to inspection work?

A.—The attention of the hon. Member is invited to the answer to question No. 189 asked at the meeting of the Legislative Council held on the 6th September 1928.

Work done by Junior Deputy Inspectors of Schools in Madura district.

*1430 Q.—Mr. K. P. V. S. Muhammad Meera Ravuttar: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to lay on the table of the House a statement showing the number of schools inspected for annual inspection, the actual number of tour days (excluding exemption and condonation by the District Educational Officer) and the number of miles travelled during the calendar years 1927 and 1928 by each junior and senior grade Deputy Inspector of Schools in Madura district?

A.—The information has been called for from the Director of Public Instruction.

Local Boards

Construction of the Moir Causeway at Oothukottai village.

*1431-A Q.—Mr. P. Bhaktavatsulu Nayudu: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) what was the estimated cost of the Moir Causeway recently constructed and opened at Oothukottai village;

(*b*) whether it was constructed by the Chingleput District Board and whether the Board got a loan from the Government for the purpose; if so, what is the amount of the loan;

(*c*) whether the Government sanctioned the construction of the said causeway; if so, whether the estimates and plans were scrutinized by the Government before the work was actually put on hand;

(*d*) whether the works during its progress or at any stage were inspected or supervised by any Government official; if so, by whom and if not, why not;

(*e*) whether it is a fact that damage has been caused to the said causeway by the recent rains; and if so, when and what was the cause and extent of the damage;